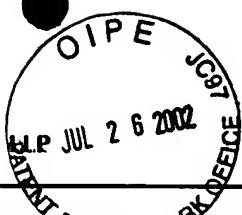


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

In re Application of Mitchell et al.

Application Number	10/076,248	Filed July 22, 2002
For METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS		* see attached
Group Art Unit 1645	Examiner To be assigned	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows
(check time period desired):

<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) up to and including July 22, 2002.	\$ 400 _____
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 200 _____.

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 02-4377. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the applicant/inventor

assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

attorney or agent of record.

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July 22, 2002

Date

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Carmella L. Stephens

Signature

Carmella L. Stephens

Typed or printed name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

Total of _____ forms are submitted.

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